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AMENDMENT A

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the Office action mailed September 18, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 18 of this paper.